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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-8 (cancelled).

- 9 (Currently amended). A substrate according to claim-8 for growth of edible and medicinal shiitake mushrooms (Lentinus edodes) comprising about 50-80% of wheat straw on a dry weight basis, about 20-50% by weight of olive oil waste and about 2-10% by weight of gypsum.
- 10 (Currently amended). A substrate according to elaim 8 for growth of edible and medicinal shiitake mushrooms

 (Lentinus edodes) comprising about 50-70% wheat straw, about 30-50% olive oil waste and about 5-10% gypsum.
- 11 (Currently amended). A substrate according to claim 8 for growth of edible and medicinal shiitake mushrooms

 (Lentinus edodes) comprising about 50-60% wheat straw, about 30-40% olive oil waste and about 5-10% gypsum.
- 12 (Original). A substrate according to claim 11 comprising about 57% of wheat straw, about 37% of olive oil waste, and about 6% of gypsum.
 - 13-31 (cancelled).